

# THE WHOLE TRUTH

"Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." John 8:32



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Want to become a member of St. Paul?  
 Want to learn a little bit more about what we believe and teach?  
 Want to get a better understanding of how our church works and what we offer?  
 Then come Join us!

**The next class will begin Wednesday, May 4th 7-8:30pm—Ed Wing  
 Pastor Matt will be leading a class for you.**

This 9 week class will:

- Look at the basic doctrines of our faith
- Seek to help anyone and everyone more fully understand why we do what we do.
- Give some insight into the structure and workings unique to St. Paul Lutheran Church

The format will be a 1 1/2 hour study and discussion time in a relaxed and communal atmosphere. Even if you are not looking to join the church, come and join as we learn about what god has revealed to us as His church and enjoy fellowship with one another.



**Melodrama Dessert Theatre**  
 Music Ministry Fundraiser  
 October 15th

We are still looking for those who desire to participate—we need:

- ◆ Actors
- ◆ Set builders
- ◆ Behind the scenes support
- ◆ Baking

**DEADLINE** for the October issue of **The Whole Truth** is **September 19**

Please submit articles and photos (subject line: St Paul Newsletter) to:

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# SPIRITUAL EDUCATION

## CHILDREN'S CHURCH

During the Sermon (ages 3 years-grade 3)

## SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY at 10:45 AM

### Big Wave Discovery (ages 3-12 years)

Ed. Wing, Rooms 1&2

*Joy Harrison, Kari Bowman, Amy Ye,  
May Young, Paul & Paula Wan,  
Qihong Wang*

### Jr. & Sr. High Youth

Rec. Center, Room 3

GOSPEL Journey  
*Nikki Nolte*

### Parenting Class

Rec. Center, Room 2

Your Child - essentials of Discipline  
*Karin Klemm, Becky Warren*

### Adult Class

Rec. Center, Room 1

Revelation  
*Pastor Matt*

## WEEKDAY CLASSES

### Thursday Morning

In the Dust of the Rabbi

Thursday, 10:00 AM - Ed. Wing  
*Pastor Matt*

### Men's Bible Breakfast

The Bible on Trial

Saturday, 7:30 AM - Ed. Wing  
*Pastor Matt*



## Classes for All Ages

Please notice the location change of many classes on Sunday morning due to the addition of Worship and Sunday School Classes for Conejo Valley Chinese Christian Church (CVCCC).

# Children's Ministry

## Big Wave Discovery

(ages 3-12)

Keep your kids riding the wave of Jesus love with Big Wave Discovery!

They will imagine getting together with friends at the beach to learn **biblical answers** to their **big questions about God, Jesus, the Bible, prayer, the Church, and more.**

Kids will discover that their faith in God is grounded in the truth of the Bible. Each uncovered truth will strengthen their approach to every situation in life.

# Youth & Adult Bible Studies

## Jr. & Sr. High Youth

**GOSPEL Journey.** (Sunday morning) -

What happens when you bring together seven unlikely strangers, throw them right in the middle of the Rocky Mountains and take them on a journey through the gospel message as it unfolds throughout the story of the Bible? Raw, real and riveting discussions, an emotional breakdown or two and a few shocking surprises!

This unscripted reality series unleashes seven very different students on one unforgettable quest, to understand the gospel message straight from the pages of Scripture. Extreme challenges like white water rafting and rock climbing along with powerful illustrations from nature and life are used to lead these students on a journey toward Jesus in an edgy and relevant way.

## Adult Classes

**Revelation.** (Sunday morning) -

An in-depth study on the last book of the Bible - Revelation.

**Your Child—essentials of Discipline** (Parenting Study, Sunday morning)

Parenthood is one of the most challenging and rewarding experiences most of us will ever have! But in the middle of busy days, runny noses and carpooling, we sometimes forget to enjoy the journey.

This video seminar, with Dr. James Dobson (founder of Focus on the Family), is here with answers, insight and solutions to one of the biggest challenges every parent encounters: **discipline.**

*Essentials of Discipline* features the most up-to-date research on parenting, humorous animated vignettes, "mom (and dad) on the street" interviews and the practical, approachable teaching that can only come from America's most trusted authority on parenting issues, Dr. James Dobson.

As you view and discuss the Essentials of Discipline videos, you will gain the practical understanding, dynamic biblical principles, and encouragement you need to shape your child's will without breaking his or her spirit, and feel confident in your ability to handle discipline in a positive way.

**In the Dust of the Rabbi.** (Thursday morning) -

An on-going video based study by Ray Vander Lann. It is a study in how Jesus and the disciples lived and looking at what we can learn from it and apply to our lives.

**The Bible on Trial** (Men's Bible Breakfast, Saturday morning) -

See Pastor Matt for more details



# Kids Activities

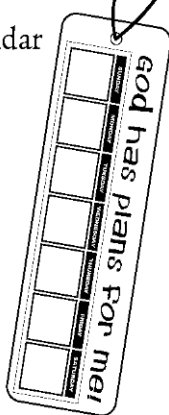


## A daily reminder

Make this bookmark to remind you that God is with you every day.

### What you need:

- An old calendar
- Scissors
- Cardstock
- Glue stick
- Pencil or marker
- Stickers
- Hole punch
- Ribbon or yarn



### What you do:

1. Cut out the first line of squares from an old calendar, including the days of the week along the top.
2. Cut the cardstock into a rectangle a little larger than the calendar section.
3. Glue the calendar section onto the cardstock.
4. Write "God has plans for me" (Jeremiah 29:11) on the bookmark.
5. Add stickers or other decorations on the back.
6. Punch a hole on one end of the bookmark.
7. Loop some ribbon or yarn through the hole.



# PUZZLE

## GOD'S PLAN

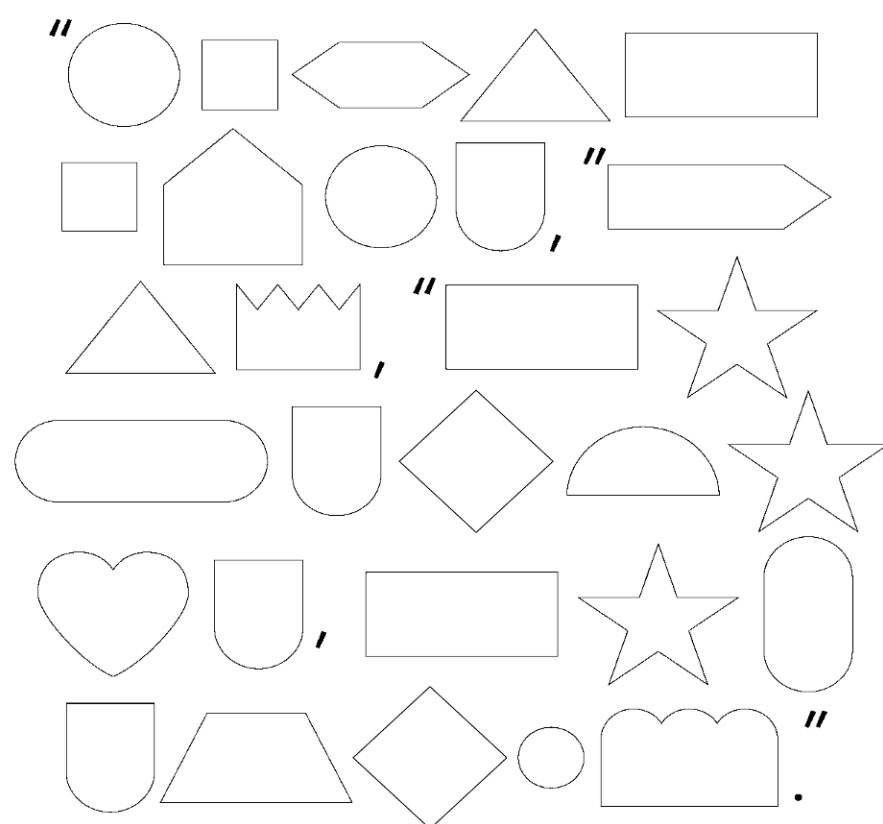
*When we ask God for guidance, he will show us his perfect plan for our lives.*

**Directions:** Use the shape code to the right to write out Jeremiah 29:11, NIV.

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Answers: "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future," (Jeremiah 29:11, NIV)



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## YOUTH GROUP



The Youth **SPARE CHANGE Jug** is here...

If you have any spare change in your pockets, the Youth would like to assist in taking the weight off.

\$\$\$ COMPETITION \$\$\$

The Youth are having a competition to see who can **guess how much the SPARE CHANGE Jug weighs...** \$1 buys you a guess. The prize is a secret (shhh). Who is the best guesser? Is it you??

### **YOUTH LOCK-OUT NEXT WEEKEND**

Come ONE, Come ALL... The Youth are having a Lock-out NEXT Saturday, Sept. 3-4 We'll be camping outdoors at the church so bring your sleeping bags and flashlights. We'll have a BBQ as well as a mall scavenger hunt, and possibly some movies.

Come Join Us.

Please RSVP to Pat and Teddy ASAP. See you then!



**Check back after summer for more exciting happenings!!!  
And don't forget to keep "sticking your neck out for Jesus"**



# St. Paul Communication Center

September 3rd-4th, 5pm-9am—Youth Lock OUT  
 September 10th, 3-7pm—LoVEfest (see page 11 For more details)  
 September 11th, 11am—Congregational Voter’s Meeting  
 September 18th, 12:30pm—Secret Sister Reveal



If you have an immediate prayer need let our prayer chain pray for you.

Day Contact - Dottie Glander	(818) 889-1413	dghg@earthlink.net
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## **September Birthdays**

1	Christina Stephan	17	Austin Montgomery
1	Michael Knauer	19	Sharon Petit
4	Allison Haas	21	Will Padilla
4	Joy Harrison	23	Ryan Harrison
4	Melissa Stephan	23	Bill Sharp
5	Savannah Owens	27	Michelle McRann
5	Dolores Kritsch	28	Rich Gama
11	Tammy Coburn	29	Russ Sharp
16	Brittany Dougherty		



## **Birthdays**



## **September Anniversaries**

5	Robert & Lorraine Lingel
26	Jeff Bruehl & Hope Paulson
27	Stan & Erika Owens



Dear Partners in Christ:

Time has been flying by, and the summer school break will soon come to an end. We thank God for his leading and provision through the summer. Let us “press on towards the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.”

During the summer, a few of us had short term mission trips to different places of the world. Andrew and Sally Huang went to China, Ruth Kuo went to Taiwan and Mongolia, and Christine Liu went to Albania. God had kept them safe during the trips and blessed them abundantly with fruits of the gospel.

About family ministry, some have attended the St. Paul Parenting Class by Dr. James Dobson. Also we have launched the Journey to Intimacy training by the China Evangelical Seminary - North America, in Oak Park Fellowship and Simi Valley Fellowship. We pray that all these ministries would strengthen the family relationship as well as the interpersonal relationship.

In evangelism, we give thanks to God that Richard Lee, Crystal Lee, Hong Wang, Angie Young, and Jingshu Yang have decided to accept Jesus as their personal Savior as well as the Lord of their life. They are going to be baptized. This is the first baptism of CVCCC. We know that all in heaven will also celebrate, for Jesus said, “Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who need no repentance.” (Luke 15:7) Let us pray for them, and rejoice with them.

Last but not the least, we have started the Sunday lunch in order that we may fellowship with one another and care for each other. All are welcome!

Pastor Tom

## *Updates from around the World.*

Kim has returned to El Salvador to lead another group of missionaries. Stay tuned for word on how this is going after she gets settled in for another year of spreading God’s Word and seeking those that are lost in El Salvador.

Sarah is in the States until Spring 2012—see page 10 for word on what she’s doing.





## Rummage Sale

September 17th @ Faith Lutheran, Moorpark

8:00 am—1:00 pm

St. Paul Youth / Thrivent Project are collecting your “timeless treasures” September 15 & 16 to help the NEW Hispanic Outreach Program in Moorpark.

### They Need:

- \* Clothes
- \* Toys
- \* CDs / DVDs
- \* Books
- \* Kitchen Items
- \* Bedding

If possible, please drop off all items here at St. Paul after Wednesday, September 14th.

If you have any questions, please talk to George Kaub or Pat Bader.

Dear Friends at St. Paul,

This is now my 6th year overseas on the mission field and after praying and much thought, I find that I need to be in the States for a year furlough. Most missionaries are required to take a year furlough after 5 years of being overseas. This is a time to reconnect with my support base back home. I am excited to apply the things I have learned during the past 9 months in Sweden and share with as many churches and people as possible how Christ has changed lives throughout Romania, the Philippines, Sweden and Hungary. I will be living with my sister Lisa and her family in Frisco, Texas, as I recharge and prepare financially and spiritually for the next phase of my mission journey. My plan is to return to Romania Spring of 2012.

Thank you so much for all your support. Your partnership in ministry is so vital for me to continue working on the mission field. I pray God’s blessings upon each and every one of you. If you would like to contact me to say Hi, my email address is: [sarah@ywam.ro](mailto:sarah@ywam.ro). My new mailing address while I am in the States is:

Sarah Buchkosky  
15560 Durango Drive  
Frisco, TX 75035

If you wish to support me financially, I will continue to receive donations through YWAM. The account information is: Please make the check payable to YWAM. Do not write my name anywhere on the check but rather include a **separate note** and indicate that it is for Sarah Buchkosky in Romania.

Mail to:  
Accounting Department  
P.O. Box 3000  
Garden Valley, TX  
75771-3000.

Thank you and God bless all of you.  
Sarah Buchkosky

# LOVE

## Lily Of the Valley Endeavor

*True worship, acceptable to the Father, is that we care for orphans and widows in their distress...." James 1:27*



# LOVE Fest 2011



**Saturday, September 10th 2011**

**3:00 pm—7:00 pm**

**Gardens of the World**

**LOVEFEST '11 will be held at the beautiful Gardens of the World in Thousand Oaks, CA. on Saturday, September 10th, 2011 from 3:00pm-7:00pm.**

Come enjoy a spectacular afternoon and fall evening of great entertainment, food and wine tasting in a relaxed, casual lovely setting! This year, we will offer Christian as well as secular music from "to-be-announced" name talent. As always, we will have amazing auction items to bid on, a raffle for a 50 inch TV as well as children to sponsor.

Tickets are \$35.00 in advance and 40.00 at the door.

Our restaurants and other food partners are: The Grill on the Alley, The Stonefire Grill, The Lazy dog Cafe, TBM Events, The Melting Pot, Valley Bakery, Jody Maroni's Sausage Kingdom, Giuliano's Bakery, Noah's Bagels, and others. And keep looking – we will be updating with more information as we are able. Proceeds will go to Lily of the Valley HIV/AIDS villages to add more children desperately in need of the love and care provided by our village staff.

**Make a date. Make a difference!**

Go to <http://www.lilyvalleyusa.org/lovest-2011.html> to purchase tickets online or see Karen Levine.



Where do  
**YOU** fit in?

Now you are the body of Christ,  
and **EACH ONE** of YOU is a part of it. **1 Cor. 12:27**

For more information or to volunteer please  
contact the person listed below.

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<b>Elder</b>	Mel Howry	818 991 7632	MelHowry@aol.com
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<b>Welcome Center</b>	Dottie Glander	818 889 1413	dghg@earthlink.net
<b>Ushers</b>	Paul Brown	805 371 9774	v65brown@aol.com
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<b>Acolyte</b>	Becky Warren	818-402-4863	bwarren@sunsetmgt.com
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<b>Singers</b>	Lisa Weaver	818 707 1372	LisaWeaversrd@yahoo.com
<b>Video Tech</b>	Jeremy Cook	805 300 3362	JeremyCook@email.com
<b>Nursery</b>	Karen Levine	805 370 0728	KarenLevine@verizon.net
<b>Kingdom Quest (3y-Gr.3) / Big Wave Discovery</b>	Nikki Nolte	805 373 9240	mnnolte@gmail.com
<b>Your Child (parenting class)</b>	Karin Klemm	818-540-8631	KariKlemm@yahoo.com
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<b>Thursday Bible Study Refreshments</b>	Bob Hougardy	818 889 8039	RHoug@aol.com
<b>Youth</b>	Pat & Teddy Bader	818 865 9687	StPaul.Youth@hotmail.com
<b>Meals for those in Need</b>	Shirley Kaub	805 497 3755	GKaub@aol.com

	4-Sep	11-Sep	18-Sep
<b>Elder</b>	Jim Lobitz	Jim Lobitz	Jim Lobitz
<b>Greeter</b>	George & Shirley Kaub	Bill Weaver	Del & Mary Hoffmeier
<b>Welcome Center</b>	Del & Mary Hoffmeier	Irma Wahl & Edith Bogeberg	Jeremy & Shirrell Cook
<b>Ushers</b>	Dottie Glander George & Shirley Kaub	Andrew & Lisa Grumm Bill Weaver	Pat Bader Del & Mary Hoffmeier
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Linda Howry	Linda Howry	Linda Howry
<b>Acolyte</b>	Ryan Harrison	Christian Cook	Christian Cook
<b>Fellowship</b>	Hope Paulson	Christine Montgomery	Dee Martin
<b>Musicians</b>	Dave Burns Tony Campadonico Joey McGriff	Dave Burns Tony Campadonico Joey McGriff	Tony Campadonico Joey McGriff
<b>Singers</b>	Jim Lobitz Lisa Weaver Melissa Twine Emily Harrison	Nikki Nolte Susan Knauer Jack Warren Cici Stephan	Bob Hougardy Barb Hougardy Holly Bruehl Shirrell Cook
<b>Video Tech</b>	Jeremy Cook	Barb Hougardy	Eric Stephan
<b>Nursery</b>	Jeremy & Shirrell Cook	Lisa Grumm	Christy Stephan
<b>Big Wave 3y-Gr.3</b>	Kari Bowman	Joy Harrison	Kari Bowman
<b>Cleaning</b>	10-Sep Joy Harrison Gary Bowman	17-Sep Gary Bowman Bill Weaver	24-Sep Linda Howry Conny Thompson
<b>Thur. Bible</b>	8-Sep TBA	15-Sep TBA	22-Sep TBA

Remaining Serving Saints Schedule... on backside.



We need YOUR help to keep the church looking great. The **cleaning crew** is in need of more willing servants. The more crews we have the less often each serves. Talk to Jeremy Cook to sign-up ([jeremycook@email.com](mailto:jeremycook@email.com)).

## Serving Saints

**25-Sep**

**2-Oct**

<b>Elder</b>	Jim Lobitz	Eric Stephan
<b>Greeter</b>	Egon & Dolores Kritch	Gene & Lily Strategos
<b>Welcome Center</b>	Dottie Glander	Bev Richardson & Marjorie Brown
<b>Ushers</b>	Mel & Linda Howry Egon & Dolores Kritch	Ray & Christine Montgomery Gene & Lily Strategos Teresa Baumann
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Linda Howry	Linda Howry
<b>Acolyte</b>	Christian Cook	Grumm
<b>Fellowship</b>	Gene & Lily Strategos	Beverly Richardson
<b>Musicians</b>	Dave Burns Tony Campadonico Joey McGriff	Dave Burns Don French
<b>Singers</b>	Cici Stephan Christy Stephan Ashley Burns Holly Bruehl/Chris Cook	Andrew Grumm Susan Knauer Lisa Weaver Emily Harrison
<b>Video Tech</b>	Jeremy Cook	Barb Hougardy
<b>Nursery</b>	Susan Knauer	Jeremy & Shirrell Cook
<b>Big Wave 3y-Gr.3</b>	Joy Harrison	Kari Bowman
<b>Cleaning</b>	1-Oct Nikki Nolte Joy Harrison	8-Oct TBA
<b>Thur. Bible</b>	29-Sep TBA	5-Oct TBA

Please let the office know if you switch weeks so it can be updated in the Good News.



**PASTOR'S SUMMER OFFICE HOURS:**

- ⇒ Monday: off
- ⇒ Tuesday: 1-4
- ⇒ Wednesday: 9-4
- ⇒ Thursday: 1-4
- ⇒ Friday: 9-1

...Or by appointment



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28 8 am - Music 9:45am - Worship 11am - Bible study 11:30am - CVCCC @ 12pm - Youth 4:30pm - AA	29 office closed	30 6:30pm - Fitness	31 7pm - CVCCC	1 10am - Thur Bible 6:30pm - Fitness	2 8pm - CVCCC Youth	3 7:30am - Men's 5pm - Youth Lock
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